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CAPITAL, MAINTENANCE OF VALUE AND RELATED MATTERS, IN
CONTEXT OF NEW INTERNATIONAL MENETARY SYSTEM

1. PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO CHARTER OF INTERNATIONAL MONETARY FUND, WHICH WOULD MODIFY INTERNATIONAL MENETARY SYSTME, ARE LIKELY TO BECOME EFFECTIVE LATER THIS YEAR. SUCH REVISION OF IMF CHARTER COULD HAVE SIGNIFICANT EFFECT ON METHOD OF DENOMINATION AND VALUATION OF ADB'S CAPITAL. WITH THIS IN MIND, BANK MANAGEMENT HAS ISSUED WORKING PAPER 2-77 (COPIES POUCHED MARCH 28) WHICH IS TO BE CONSIDERED BY BOARD OF DIRECTORS IN MID-APRIL. USADB REQUESTS GUIDANCE.

2. PURPOSE OF WORKING PAPER IS TO CONSIDER THIS PROBLEM LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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AND TO RECOMMEND HOW IT COULD BEST BE RESOLVED. PAPER (A) DESCRIBES HOW PRINCIPAL FEATURES OF INTERNATIONAL MONETARY SYSTEM HAVE EVOLVED SINCE BRETTON WOODS AND HOW THEY HAVE REFLECTED IN BANK'S FINANCIAL ARRANGEMENTS UP TO PRESENT TIME; (B) CONSIDERS POSSIBLE ALTERNATIVE MONETARY UNITS WHICH BANK COULD ADOPT AS SUCCESSOR TO 1966 GOLD DOLLARS, AND CONCLUDES THAT SPECIAL DRAWING

RIGHTS (SDR) IS MOST APPROPRIATE SUCCESSOR; (C)
DISCUSSES IMPLICATION OF ADOPTING SDR FOR BANK'S
CAPITAL AND FOR MAINTENANCE OF VALUE RIGHTS AND OBLIGATIONS;
(D) EXAMINES IMPLICATIONS FOR OTHER ISSUES RELEVANT TO
BANK; AND (E) EXAMINES PROCEDURE FOR CHANGEING UNIT OF
DENOMINATION OF BANK'S SHARE CAPITAL.
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